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Claims

- 1. A product obtainable by reacting
 - a) At least one compound

$$HO \xrightarrow{R_1} CH_2 - (S)_m - CH_2 \xrightarrow{O} O - Y$$
 (I),

wherein

one of R_1 and R_2 independently of one another represents hydrogen or a substituent selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_{18} alkyl, phenyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)₁₋₃phenyl, phenyl- C_1 - C_3 alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)₁₋₃phenyl- C_1 - C_3 alkyl, $(C_3$ - C_4 cycloalkyl and $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)₁₋₃ C_5 - C_{12} cycloalkyl;

and the other one represents a substituent selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_{18} alkyl, phenyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)_{1.3}phenyl, phenyl- C_1 - C_3 alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)_{1.3}phenyl- C_1 - C_3 alkyl, C_5 - C_{12} cycloalkyl and $(C_1$ - C_4 alkyl)_{1.3} C_5 - C_{12} cycloalkyl;

R₃ represents hydrogen or methyl;

Y represents hydrogen or C₁-C₆alkyl; and m represents zero or 1; with

b) At least one compound

$$R_4$$
-OH (II),

wherein R₄ represents C₄-C₂₅alkyl; and

c) At least one compound

$$HO \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow OH$$
 (III),

wherein R_s and R_s independently of one another represent hydrogen or $C_1\text{-}C_s$ alkyl.

2. A product obtainable by reacting

- a) At least one compound (I), wherein one of R_1 and R_2 represents methyl or tert-butyl and the other one of R_1 and R_2 represents tert-butyl; R_3 represents hydrogen; Y represents C_1 - C_6 alkyl; and m represents zero or one; and
- b) At least one compound (II), wherein R_4 represents C_4 - C_{18} alkyl; and
- c) At least one compound (III), wherein R_s and R_s ' represent hydrogen.

3. A product obtainable by reacting

- a) At least one compound (I), wherein one of R₁ and R₂ represents methyl or tert-butyl and the other one of R₁ and R₂ represents tert-butyl; R₃ represents hydrogen; Y represents methyl and m represents zero; and
- b) At least one compound (II), wherein R_4 represents C_4 - C_{18} alkyl; and
- c) At least one compound (III), wherein R_s and R_s ' represent hydrogen.

4. A product obtainable by reacting

- a) A mixture comprising a compound (I), wherein R₁ and R₂ represent tert-butyl; R₃ represents hydrogen; Y represents methyl and m represents zero; and A compound (I), wherein one of R₁ and R₂ represents methyl and the other one tert-butyl; R₃ represents hydrogen; Y represents methyl and m represents zero; and
- b) At least one compound (II), wherein R_{\star} represents C-C₁₈alkyl; and
- c) At least one compound (III), wherein R_{s} and R_{s} represent hydrogen.

5. A composition comprising

- A) A product according to claim 1; and
- A functional fluid subject to oxidative, thermal or light induced degradation.

6. A composition comprising

- A) A product according to claim 1; and
- B) A base oil of lubricating viscosity.
- 7. A process for preparing a liquid mixture of phenolic sulphur-containing antioxidants, which comprises reacting
 - a) At least one compound (I), wherein R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , Y and m are as defined in claim 1, with

- b) At least one compound (II), wherein R_{\star} is as defined in claim 1; and
- c) At least one compound (III), wherein R_s and $R_s^{\,\prime}$ are as defined in claim 1.
- 8. A process for stabilising a composition of matter subject to oxidative, thermal or light induced degradation, which comprises adding to said composition of matter at least one product according to claim 1.